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For : EXPANDABLE STYRENE-MODIFIED OLEFIN RESIN PARTICLE, PRE-  
EXPANDED PARTICLE, AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MOLDED FOAM

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir :

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2008. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the rejections of the outstanding Office Action, and request allowance of all the claims pending herein. Inasmuch as the three-month shortened statutory period is set in the Office Action to expire on November 21, 2008, this response is being filed in a timely manner and no fee for extension of time is deemed necessary. Should any extension of time fees or other fees be required to maintain pendency of the application, however, authorization is hereby provided to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.